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PAYOUTS BASED ON ACTIVITY AND RANKS OF
OTHER GAMING SESSIONS

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**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE
to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2006**

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action re-mailed April 26, 2006 (Paper No. 20060425), please consider the following remarks.

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